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**REMARKS** 

Claims 1-59 were in the original PCT application as filed. Applicants have canceled

claims 1-59, without prejudice or acquiescence and have added claims 60-111. Claims 60-

111 delete the multiple dependency and clarify the claims without prejudice or acquiescence.

Applicants assert that no new matter has been added.

**CONCLUSION** 

Applicants have added claims 60-111 to delete the multiple dependency and to clarify

the claims without prejudice or acquiescence. Claims 1-59 have been canceled without

prejudice or acquiescence. Therefore, these amendments do not narrow the scope of the

claims within the meaning of Festo Corp. v. Shoketsu Kinzoku Kogyo Kabushiki Co., Ltd.,

234 F.3d 558, 586, 56 USPQ2d 1865, 1886 (Fed. Cir. 2000).

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is

believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is

respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.

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